





FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1902.

## Los Angeles Daily Times.

CHAINING  
THE BEAR.Powers Helping China  
Against Russia."Nigger" in Manchurian  
Wood-Pile.United States, England and  
Japan are Actively Fighting  
Treaty.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

PEKING, Feb. 6.—(By Asiatic Cable.) The British, American and Japanese ministers here have renewed their opposition to the Manchurian arrangements between China and Russia. It is probable that this action will result in the further postponement of the conclusion of this treaty.

The powers, on the Manchurian treaty are now beginning to recognize the force of the representations of the Chinese plenipotentiaries that China is making the best terms possible for herself, and incidentally for the equal rights of the other nations in China, and is shifting their protests to Russia as the responsible party.

Pavel Lesser, the Russian Minister here, is endeavoring to maintain the transparent diplomatic fiction that the Manchurian treaty and the Russo-Japanese war are not related. He has informed his colleagues that the Russian government has no official knowledge of the negotiations of the Russo-Chinese bank.

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EMPEROR CONGRATULATED.

CHINESE PRAY FOR REFORM.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

VICTORIA (B. C.) Feb. 6.—The Chinese Reform Association of this city sent the following cablegram to Peking today, at a cost of \$100: "We fail to carry weight. The native newspapers are filled with stories that Russia is trying to gain her ends by force of many tribes."

Germany, as a disinterested spectator of the affair, Chang Chi Tung, the Viceroy of Hankow, and Liu Kun YI, the Viceroy of Nan Tin, continue to stand aloof against the treaty. They are cooperating with the Japanese ministry.

The correspondent of the Associated Press has been informed that the agreement "This provides that China shall build all railroads and develop all mines in Manchuria. If she is unable to complete this capital, she shall apply to the bank. If she has no capital or is unwilling to enter into arrangements, China may apply elsewhere for capital."

The final clause stipulates that the Chinese government will impose the existing right of other nations, which cause is palpably nullified by the preceding conditions.

BOXERS AND COSSACKS  
ENGAGE IN BATTLE.RUSSIANS STORM EARTHWORKS  
OF THE ENEMY.Japanese Expedition in South Formosa  
Engaged in Wiping Out the Bandits  
Who Have Been Ravaging That Section—  
Severe Fighting Reported.

GIVE UP THIS FIGHT.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—(By Atlantic Cable.) The War Office tonight published a summary of the British losses in South Africa. Up to January 31 the total number of British killed and of permanent disability was 25,305. The total of the casualties, including surviving wounded, was 5240 officers and 100,701 men.

THE PHILIPPINE FRIENDS OF KRUGER.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—M.I.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The Daily Mail this morning publishes an article devoted to showing that Dr. Kruger, the Belgian missionary and friend of the Boer cause, has been received in connection with the anti-Christian outbreak in Shan Si, and cause upon the Vicerey. Sung Fan, to act in connection with the Governor of Shan Si, and cause the desperadoes who have killed the Belgian missionaries and friends to be surrendered and slain. A number of local officials are captured, and ordered to cause the capture of the desperadoes, and in the event of failure, they are to be forever dismissed from service.

From Vladivostok news is given of a band of Cossacks and a band of 200 Boxers who were sent to the village of Tukhuma, which they had plundered. The brigands were behind earthworks, and the Cossacks after shelling them with guns, charged home with sabers and bayonets. In the face of a severe fire from the Chinese, the losses of the Boxers were heavy, and the Russians had seven killed. The rebel leaders fled to Mongolia.

The Japanese have an expedition in South Formosa, which is engaged in wiping out the bandits who have been ravaging the district, and up to January 16 the expedition, which is made up of 800 troops, 150 police and 200 coolies, had killed between 200 and 300 bandits. The Japanese men of the expedition had been killed in the severe fighting. The districts south of Tainan, which is closely surrounded and guarded, were terrorized by the bandits.

GREAT BRITAIN'S POLICY.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says he believes that important developments are pending in the case of Miss Delia Powell yesterday, was taken from the officers this afternoon and lynched. During the night the mob made repeated attempts to get the negro, but was baffled. This morning County Attorney Mitchell, Sheriff Christian and Deputy Sheriff removed the negro from his cell, and the men of the expedition had been killed in the severe fighting. The districts south of Tainan, which is closely surrounded and guarded, were terrorized by the bandits.

NOTHING IS YET DEFINITELY DECIDED, BUT THE GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO MAKE GREAT BRITAIN INTEND TO MAKE STRONG EFFORTS TO FIGHT AND PROTECT THE CHINESE TRADE.

TARIFF QUESTION.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.

VICTORIA (B. C.) Feb. 6.—Gen. Garrison, United States Trade Commissioner, interviewed him in the Courtroom, and regarding the tariff question, the new commercial treaty.

"It was pretty well settled that there will be no obstacle in the way of a speedy settlement of the tariff treaty."

LYNCHING IN LYNCHBURG.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.

NASHVILLE (Tenn.) Feb. 6.—Eulayes Whitaker, colored, charged with the murder of Jim Doolittle, was taken from jail at Lynchburg last night and hanged by a mob. Whitaker's case was called in court yesterday and continued.

Mr. Lodge replied that he agreed with Mr. Patterson's purpose, and he expressed the hope that soon all that

function with local merchants of the countries interested. He considered the negotiations of the commercial and financial matters of far greater moment and difficult to settle, than the military interests which would be involved, rendering an unanimous agreement hard to be arrived at. He also expressed doubts as to Chinese financial weakness or ability to apply the drastic measures which might become necessary. The fundamental features of the new treaty would, he said, be to give foreigners the right to build and own property, to work mines, construct railways in the interior, and generally to settle better trade relations.

MAY ABANDON WEI HAI WEI.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—According to the Calcutta correspondent of the Daily Mail, the British government has decided to abandon its intention of fortifying garrisoning the colony of Wei Hai Wei. China will withdraw its troops from that place and transfer its control to the civil authorities.

It seems doubtful, even, whether the British will retain its position as useless from a military point of view, except by enormous expenditure, and it undoubtedly a "white elephant."

PASSENGERS FROM VALDES.

TOWN EXTREMELY LIVELY.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—The steamer Jeanie arrived from Iliamna today with thirty-six passengers, all save one of whom, A. N. Wotty, are from Valdes and points between that point and the mouth of the Columbia River.

Jameson, Norman Smith and Judge Dan of the Trans-Alaska Company were passengers on Jeanie.

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Mr. Scott concluded by strongly urging the adoption of his resolution, saying that he wished to be convinced of the practicability or impracticability of the proposed route, and that he would like to have the same examined by the Philippine Commission as a possible business proposition.

At the conclusion of Mr. Scott's speech Mr. Morgan, of the Intercoastal Canal Committee, moved that the resolution offered by Mr. Scott be referred to that committee. Mr. Scott moved that Gen. Garrison, the president of the Intercoastal Canal Committee, be given the responsibility of examining the proposed route.

Mr. Scott's resolution was adopted, and the bill was referred to a subcommittee, which was now conducting an investigation of the proposed route, and that Colombia probably would oppose the adoption of the San Bias route, as that would destroy both the Panama Canal and the Colombian Railways Company. It would be a hopeless task, he said, to convince Colombia that the San Bias route would be the most desirable one proposed. However, he said, the commission had Gen. Garrison, the president of the Intercoastal Canal Committee, be given the responsibility of examining the proposed route, and that he would be a hopeless task, he said, to convince Colombia that the San Bias route would be the most desirable one proposed. However, he said, the commission had Gen. 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Los Angeles Daily Times.

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## TALK OVER COLOR LINE.

Club Women Discuss Race Question.

Los Angeles Delegates Ready in Debate.

Barney Held for Arson. Smallpox Among Indians. Postoffice Looted.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—A persistent effort was made today at the convention of the California Federation of Women's Clubs to secure recognition of the clubs of colored women by the general federation, which meets in Los Angeles, in the afternoon.

One plan for the reorganization of the general federation leans toward organization by State lines; that is, State federations carry with them the clubs affiliated therewith, and elect delegates in proportion to numbers. Each State federation, in this way, has the right to act upon the qualifications of membership of colored women, and to elect their own delegates as it may select. The plan is the admission of individual clubs, the general federation alone passing upon the application of the club. The advocates of the admission of clubs of colored women favor the State plan, as some States have already declared upon this question.

It was the aim of those in favor of the State plan to secure the passage of a resolution instructing the delegates to elect tomorrow to vote for the State federation plan. Two resolutions to this effect were offered during the day, but President Burdette ruled both out. No test of the actual strength of the opposing forces was possible under these rulings.

MORNING SESSION.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—A plenary session was held on the morning programme of the Club Women's State Convention served to pack Golden Gate Hall until standing room only was obtainable. This trial of drawing cards consisted of the election of officers, discussion of the reorganization subject, and expression of views on the question of admitting colored clubs to the general federation.

The convention was called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Miss Florence C. Porter of Los Angeles reported what had been done by the Nominating Committee; that Mrs. Kate A. Bulkeley of Berkeley had been substitute at the head of the list for Mrs. Lowell White, who died in the winter, and that Mrs. W. M. Orr of San Francisco had been chosen to be the corresponding secretary vacant by the election of Mrs. Bulkeley. Loud applause greeted the name of Mrs. Bulkeley and Mrs. Orr.

Mr. G. J. Bucknell, chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, read a resolution which provided for a general discussion.

The proposed amendments to the constitution and bylaws were read section by section and each of these was voted on.

It was voted to rescind the resolution to increase the per capita assessment to the general federation brought about a regular volley of substitutes and amendments to the original amendment, and at least a score of the delegations spoke on the question. All the amendments were adopted.

Mr. W. W. Stilson of Los Angeles opened the discussion on reorganization, and was less than a quarter of an hour in the discussion of the general federation, which now embraces thirty-eight State organizations, about seven hundred individual clubs, and it was agreed that the federation has grown so large that reorganization is necessary.

Mr. Urquhart Lee of Berkeley said that two distinct plans of reorganization were proposed—one by Massachusetts and the other by Georgia. One means reorganization by States and the proposed reorganization by individual clubs, "and the other by individual clubs," said Mrs. Lee. "We find it to seek enrollment in the State federation. This would inevitably result in a system of concentration that would be the bane of the older clubs, and to the plan of reorganization by States, because it will not be accepted by the younger clubs."

Mrs. E. O. Smith of San Jose opened the discussion on the admission of colored clubs to the general federation. Mrs. George W. Haight of Berkeley argued the question from the other side.

A motion that the California State Delegates be instructed to vote for the admission of colored women to the general federation was declared out of order, and Mrs. Lea Chapin of Los Angeles moved that the motion be voted on for five minutes. She appealed on behalf of the women of the Southern States for consideration at the hands of the colored women.

The motion carried, and the women of the North to interfere in this color question. A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock.

NOMINEES FOR OFFICES.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Reports of vice-presidents and club presidents of the San Joaquin, northern and Los Angeles districts took up considerable portion of the afternoon session. The remainder of the time was spent in a general discussion.

The result of the balloting for officers will be announced tomorrow. Following are the nominees:

FUFFY'S SUBSTITUTE CHINAMAN.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. BAKER CITY (Or.) Feb. 6.—The fifteen miners from the Columbia mine, who were arrested Tuesday on the charge of riot, because they compelled two engineers who had taken the places of the striking engineers to leave camp, had a hearing before Justice Mackay today. The miners had given over in the sum of \$25 each to await the action of the Circuit Court. The men all gave bonds and were released this evening.

RIOTOUS MINERS.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

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BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] For over a year past the customs collectors of nearly all of the ports of the Pacific Coast have been aware that an organized gang of opium smugglers has been operating with unusual success, but all efforts to catch them have been without result. Tonight, Frank D. Burton was taken into custody, and it is believed that he is one of the leaders of the gang. The opium, from all accounts that have been received, has been smuggled over the Canadian border, but San Francisco has been the chief market for the contraband.

Earlier last night, Collector Stratton received a telegram from Collector Peterson's store and the postoffice at Lake View, two miles from the port of entry, that the trunk had been checked at Tacoma as ordinary baggage for Oakland, and had been seized there, and in it were 180 lbs of opium. Collector

strategically secured is thought to be light.

SMALLPOX AMONG INDIANS.

HEALTH OFFICER ON THE WAY.

BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.

BAKERFIELD, Feb. 6.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Dr. Kellogg, deputy county

Health Officer, left this morning for

south fork of Kern River, some sixty miles distant, for the purpose of investigating health conditions among the Indians residing there, and on the Piute Mountains. It is reported that several cases of smallpox have broken out among the Piutes and it is feared the disease may become epidemic. There are many Indians residing along the river and mountain, and the action, and health authorities are anxious to take the matter in hand before the tribe becomes affected.

GARLICK IN THE TANKS.

TWO CHARGES ARE PENDING.

BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A quiet-mannered young man, who gave his name to the police as Frank D. Burton, was held in custody last night in the tanks of the City Prison, instead of at the Palace Hotel, where he had been a guest for several days. Obtaining goods by false pretenses and the graver crime of forgery, in both of which he has been arrested, he was charged against him tomorrow.

Representing himself as the nephew of William Alvord, president of the Bank of California, Garlick, today bought a gold watch and diamond ring from W. C. Vandenberg & Co., jeweler, in payment of a check given to him bearing Alvord's signature. A moment later, Policeman Ed Chapin touched him on the arm, and the young man found himself in the grasp of the law.

It turned out that the young man, whose father is a bank official, was on his way to Chicago to enter the Chicago University and was making the trip by way of New Orleans for the purpose of attending the approaching Mardi Gras festivities. He was unable to resist the temptation to expend his traveling funds in gay living, however, and when he found his purse empty, he issued a forged check, rather than appeal to his father for more funds.

NEW TRIAL FOR ZEIGLER.

JURY NOT PROPERLY DRAWN.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The State Supreme Court today handed down a decision reversing the judgment of the lower court in the case of the people vs. Zeigler, convicted of murder in the first degree in Santa Cruz county, and has ordered the case remanded for a new trial.

The reversal is based on the finding that the jury in the case was not properly drawn. Justices Garoutte, Beatty and Van Dyke wrote a dissenting opinion.

Zeigler lived about four miles from Santa Cruz. He was jealous of his wife and killed her.

HELD FOR ARSON.

WEAK-MINDED BOY.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

SAN JOSE, Feb. 6.—A. J. Barney, who blew up Wellmeyer Bros. store in Mountain View twenty months ago with dynamite, was today held for trial for arson by Justice Rosenthal, who fixed the fine at \$10,000.

At the trial, Barney was arrested, the officers believed him to be of weak intellect and he was ordered committed to the home for feeble minded at Glen Ellen. Sheriff Langford says the authorities there have always refused to receive him, and that on the ground that the institution was overcrowded.

DIRECT TO STOCKHOLM.

WHEAT FROM PORTLAND.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.

PORTLAND (Or.) Feb. 6.—The steamer Matilda has been chartered by Kress Gifford Co. to this city, to carry 500 bags of choice milling wheat from Tacoma direct to Stockholm.

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LOOTED POSTOFFICE.

TOOK EVERYTHING IN SIGHT.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.

SPokane (Wash.) Feb. 6.—Burglars have broken into a post office at Meiers Falls last night, took all the money and stamps in sight, and cut open many of the letters. The S. F. and N. depot was also visited, the safe blown open by dynamite, and several express packages taken. The full value of the stolen goods is not known.

GOOD FAIRY HOSE.

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## THE WEATHER.

## COMPARATIVE TEMPERATURES.

	MAX.	MIN.	MAX.	MIN.	
Boston	25	15	New York	22	15
Washington	25	8	Buffalo	22	8
Pittsburgh	25	14	Chicago	22	9
St. Louis	25	14	St. Paul	22	9
Los Angeles	25	20	Kansas City	22	9
Jacksonville	25	21			

"Below zero." The maximum is for February 8; the minimum is for January 25. The figure is the average temperature for the two days.

## Yesterday's Report and Forecast.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles. "Deposited by General Frank F. Tolson, Postmaster, Office of the U. S. Weather Bureau, 120 S. Broadway, at 5 p.m. 20th. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 44° max.; and 35 deg. Relative humidity, 52 per cent. Wind, north, velocity 2 miles; p.m., west, velocity 8 miles. Maximum temperature, 63 deg. Barometer reduced to sea level.

**Weather Conditions.** — The storm continues with increasing energy on the northern coast, and is moving eastward to Central California and the Colorado Valley. Gale force rain is reported from Puget Sound to Central California and Nevada, and snow from Eastern Colorado and the Colorado Rockies. The prevailing winds in Southern California with fog in the coast sections. The weather is unsettled and the State forecast indicates favorable conditions for the next few days.

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## BUSINESS.

Clearances for Los Angeles banks yesterday amounted to \$75,152.75, and for the corresponding day last year, \$493,482.72.

In explanation of the large figure for the day it may be well to state that the large banks do not always fully clear between each other every day, but issue certificates of deposit to avoid moving large sums of gold. Once a week these certificates are cleared and a general squaring up done. This was done yesterday, and in part accounts for the large clearances. But, with a few things taken into account the business done through the banks daily shows a considerable increase over former years.

Spurts in wheat and corn animated the Chicago grain pit, and in the New York stock market dealings were better distributed than for some time past.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AT ST. LOUIS.

A dispatch from San Francisco announces that the Southern Pacific Company intends to make an elaborate exhibit at the St. Louis fair of the resources of the States and Territories through which the road passes. The display will be in charge of W. H. Mills and Mr. Mills is quoted as saying that he would like to have the countries make appropriations to boom themselves in this exhibit.

As The Times recently stated, the counties of Southern California will very likely prefer to make a separate exhibit at St. Louis. It will not be possible to obtain an appropriation in time from the State, as the Legislature does not meet until 1902, so that the responsibility for a display will be thrown upon the individual counties. Such a display was made by Southern California at the Midwinter Fair, in San Francisco, and it was a decided success. Southern California is fortunate in possessing a public institution which has had wide experience in conducting successful displays of this kind, and in doing it at an exceedingly moderate cost. Should the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce be charged with the duty of getting up an exhibit for Southern California at the St. Louis fair, it would be a foregone conclusion that this section would receive a full hundred cents of value for every dollar that might be invested.

In any case, we feel justified in saying that the people of this section would not hall with any great amount of enthusiasm the suggestion that their exhibit at St. Louis should be under the patronage of the Southern Pacific Company, even though such exhibit should be in charge of so distinguished a statesman and philanthropist as W. H. Mills.

## DEPARTMENT OF MINING.

A bill for the creation of a Department of Mines and Mining has been introduced in the House, on behalf of the California Miners' Association, by Congressman Woods, of the Third District. The association believes that our government can well afford to aid and encourage an industry that has done so much for the country, and upon which the future prosperity of the nation so largely depends. It claims that if the agricultural interests of the country justify a secretary, the mining industry is equally entitled to such representation. That there is force to this argument is shown by the statement that the value of the mineral products of the United States for 1901 is estimated at \$1,650,000,000, which is equal to the total value of wheat, corn, oats, hay, rye, barley and potato crops produced last year.

There is no doubt that such a department, with a skilled and public-spirited man at the head of it, something after the style of Mr. Wilson of the Department of Agriculture, would be of vast benefit to the mining industry of the United States, and consequently to the country at large.

Perhaps all Miss Stone needs to effect her release is a saw and a six-shooter.

## AN AERIAL TOURNAMENT.

The remarkable achievements of M. Santos-Dumont with his dirigible, have greatly revived the interest in aerial navigation, and in all countries of the civilised world the subject is receiving more exhaustive study, both from scientists and inventors, than it has ever received in the past. It is in this widespread interest in the subject, probably, which has induced the management of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition— which is to be held in St. Louis in 1903—to determine upon an exhibition of airships in operation as one of the novelties of the exposition. The plan, as matured, is to hold an "aerial tournament," which will be open to competition by airships from all parts of the world. It is proposed to offer prizes aggregating not less than \$200,000. This liberal offer will undoubtedly serve to bring out the best achievements in the line of aerial navigation, and will insure an exhibition of great and unusual interest.

It is proposed to hold, in connection with the aerial tournament, an aerocongress, for the discussion by those who have made the subject a special study, or have undertaken practical experiments in the navigation of the air. This conference should serve to bring out all the latest ideas relating to this subject, which for more than a century has had a singular fascination, not alone for inventors and scientific students, but for all inquiring minds.

The proposed tournament will certainly be a novel feature of the St. Louis world's fair. The secretary of the association, Walter B. Stevens, reports that there is already a prospect of upward of one hundred entries in the competition, representing some ten different countries. Thus a highly interesting exhibit is assured, whether any practical advance be made in the science of aerial navigation or not.

Thus far, it cannot be said that the problem is very near to a practical solution. The achievements of the young Brazilian scientist, M. Santos-Dumont, have undeniably brought the problem nearer to a solution than it has ever been before. But a great deal remains to be accomplished before the purely experimental stage will have been past. Many well informed persons maintain that the navigation of the air will never be made commercially practicable, while others are equally confident that we are on the eve of a complete practical solution. So many wonderful things have been accomplished within the past hundred years that it is rash to declare that this problem is impossible of solution. Men will continue to wrestle with it until they either achieve success or demonstrate beyond all question that there are limitations which make the successful navigation of the air impossible. At all events, the aerial tournament at St. Louis next year will be an event of very great world-interest.

The fact that the club women of California are in convention at San Francisco, accounts, in a measure, for the overflowing of the down-town restaurants and the wish-my-wife-would stay-at-home look on the faces of many citizens.

The inability of Miss Clara Morris, the actress, to pawn her jewels at Des Moines should cause others of the profession not to be too much upon these flashing baubles. Even a pawn-broker knows that all is not gold that glitters.

John D. Rockefeller is the leader of a Bible class in the Sunday-school of the First Seventh-day Baptist Church, New York, but the fact does not prevent him from playing the octopus act at every favorable opportunity.

The eastern whose German is limited to "Nichts verstehe" and "Sprechen Sie Deutsch?" is now busily engaged in writing a book for beginners" in order to be at least on speaking terms with Prince Henry.

The Denver Post paragraph asks if there is anything more comical than a bow-legged man on skates. We think of but one more—namely, that of that bow-legged girl in the ballerina.

Assemblyman Bennett of the New York Legislature has introduced a bill to stop flirting. But are the rest of the laws in that state to blame because Mr. Bennett received the frosty mint?

Perhaps Prince Henry will also take kindly enough to the peanut while in the United States, for the same samples of this great American circus delicacy home for propagation purposes.

The tragic ending of the notorious Biddle brothers while attempting to ex-

cape with their female companion should be a sufficient warning to Americans who are the best worshippers to stop their fawning over notorious and desperate criminals.

Still, in conferring any political authority upon the females of the Philippines, would not the women of our own country resent such a direct slap at their unfeminine for office?

A Buffalo policeman arrested two Indians because they raised their skirts too high while crossing a muddy street. Are the Buffalo cops also armed with opera glasses?

If Waterbury citizens have as much stiffness of backbone as its celebrated timpanists, they will have no trouble in running right along without a fresh windup.

Prince Henry says it has been the "dream of his life" to come to America. Where did the Prince catch one such a Bostonese expression in his homeland?

Actor Neil appears to have received a prod from the Elk's horn which is liable to put him out of business in some parts of Southern California.

But will Mrs. Pat Campbell's \$22,000 which she has won at bridge whilst in this country keep her from falling into the chasm of "stud-horse" poker?

Will that San Francisco Judge who gave a footpad a sentence of life imprisonment kindly stand up while the public puts him on the back?

For that tired feeling take something besides a Los Angeles street car—unless you are fortunate enough to be able to squeeze into a seat.

The Illinois Bar Association is to weed out all the bad lawyers in the organization, and the entire dissolution of the bar is imminent.

In spite of his intention to pose as a spread-eagle, Mr. Babcock of Wisconsin stands in imminent danger of having his wings clipped.

Let us hope that proposed new telephone system will be one of the busy, out-of-orderless kind, and as girls, as possible.

That proposed \$5 rate between Chicago and the Pacific Coast will certainly not be objected to at this end of the line.

And when Miss Stone is finally released it will take a court of inquiry to convince her that she is not still a prisoner.

No wonder the powers are eager to chase around Uncle Sam. The nigger in the fence corner is just beginning to squeak.

Parisian dulists are not keeping the record at top notch. In 1881 there were 250 less funerals than the yearly average.

If Chicago intends to have any more blow-ups we hope she will hurry up before Prince Henry visits that city.

The supply of revolutions in Central and South America appears to have taken into account the business done through the banks daily shows a considerable increase over former years.

Spurts in wheat and corn animated the Chicago grain pit, and in the New York stock market dealings were better distributed than for some time past.

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## THE PUBLIC SERVICE—OFFICIAL DOINGS.

## SUMMARY OF THE DAY.

General approbation was expressed yesterday concerning the selection of a board of Water Commissioners. That the City Council chose a strong board is the general opinion.

James Kays, Jr., declared last night that he cannot afford to take the position, as it entails too onerous duties, and he is not in entire sympathy with the system of management.

Members of the Council yesterday expressed their desire that Herman Silver, for two sessions president of the Council, be chosen chairman of the commission.

The District Attorney gave it out as his opinion yesterday that notes secured by real estate in other States and held by residents of this State are taxable.

Mrs. Christine Jones accused her husband yesterday of defrauding her out of her Ivanhoe property, and Judge T. C. Goudge sat on her.

N. H. McLean, sentenced in May, 1900, to serve ten years for embezzlement, was taken to San Quentin yesterday.

## AT THE CITY HALL.

## COUNCIL COMMENDED FOR GOOD CHOOSING.

## STRONG GENERAL APPROVAL OF WATER COMMISSION.

Appointee James C. Kays Declares That He Will not Qualify Because He Cannot Afford to Assume the Position. Silver for Chairman.

Few acts of the City Council ever have met with such universal commendation as was expressed yesterday regarding the appointment of the Board of Water Commissioners. On the floor of the council and in the office and clubs the selection is applauded. That a stronger and more capable board could not have been chosen, is the general sentiment.

"It is a fine board and I do not know how it could be improved," said one prominent citizen yesterday, and this expression seemed to hold the Municipal League of Los Angeles. The Municipal League of Los Angeles, at its meeting held yesterday, resolved: "That we heartily commend the selection of members of the Water Commission made by the City Council and congratulate Los Angeles on securing the services of such excellent men." Undoubtedly this resolution is but a fore-runner of similar expressions, which will be drafted by the various commercial bodies of the city.

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Very frankly Mr. Kays states that he cannot afford to accept. He says he has served on so many honorary boards and commissions that he knows full well what is expected of a man, and that in this instance he could not afford to devote his time to the management of the water plant as fully as would be demanded. Mr. Kays is not entirely sympathetic with the method adopted by the Council for the management of the plant. He believes that a superintendent, auditor and engineer named by the Mayor and the City Council would be better than the plant manager. Last night a very determined effort was made to induce Mr. Kays to accept the position, but at the last moment he was still determined to decline the appointment.

If Mr. Kays refuses to qualify, as now seems probable, the management of the commission may be delayed. Deputy City Attorney Goudge says there is no legal obstacle to prevent the remaining members of the board from keeping this office, but that and that it will lie wholly with the members whether they wait until the vacancy is filled. As there is no provision for a provision for filling the office in the event of a vacancy, and as the names were originally made part of the ordinance, the provision for the management of the plant this evening will have to be amended and republished when the new name is inserted. It is probable that a provision for filling the office will be made some time later.

A most persistent rumor was in circulation yesterday afternoon that the commissioner to fill the place of Mr. Kays in the event of his resignation will be G. T. Johnson or ex-Mayor Fred Eaton. There is considerable opposition to placing Mr. Eaton in the board, because it is feared that his views will not harmonize with the technical points with those of the superintendent, who must be an experienced engineer, according to the terms of the ordinance.

It seems to have finally agreed that William Mulholland, who has been the engineer for the water company, will have the position of superintendent and Auditor. Many of the members of the Council have been inclined to believe that the sum of \$2000, to be paid the superintendent, is more than he can afford. Mulholland is convinced that he cannot afford to take the position for less. While the water company had paid him on the outside, he had done much work on the outside. Last year this outside work paid him more than \$2000. The Standard Oil Company received him on the outside, but at a remuneration of \$500 a day. Under the ordinance the superintendent must devote his entire time to the management of the plant.

Herman Silver, president of the last City Council, will probably be chosen as chairman of the Water Commission. During his two terms at the head of the council, Mr. Silver has played great ability as a presiding officer, and it is the wish of the Council that he be chosen chairman. In the case that he is not chosen, the commission Wednesday night, Mr. Silver received more votes for commissioner than any other candidate named by the Chamber of Commerce, a number of the Councilmen yesterday.

"Such is the conclusion of the United

expressed the hope that the members of the commission will name Mr. Silver as chairman as a further honor and reward for his work and faithful public service. It is probable that Mr. Silver has a more intimate knowledge of the water plant than any of the members of the commission, with the possible exception of Mr. Kays. During his years of litigation Mr. Silver, as head of the Council, kept in close touch with the city's contractors, and he now, it is believed, still stands high and stands as a member of the water board.

As far as indicated yesterday, all the apprentices of the Council, with the exception of Mr. Kays, will be retained. A Grant of Grant Bros., railway contractors, expresses the fear that his business engagements would not allow him to act, but upon insistence by the Council, he agreed to make a temporary withdrawal. All the commissioners were surprised and pleased at the distinction of being chosen on the first ballot. The commissioners' induction is that municipal ownership of the water plant will be tried in Los Angeles under most auspicious circumstances.

Wix Flag the Bills.

An exhibition of dexterity will take place at the bull pen at Main and Washington streets next Sunday, according to the men who are prosecuting the "Wix Flag" bill. The bill, which is said to be "cruelty" has been eliminated from the show, it is said, and the bulls will enjoy the performance fully and without the spectators.

Yesterday afternoon Antonio Porras, the sure-enough torero, imported from Mexico, and Juan Sanchez, from the Cid, took out a license to conduct an "amusement" for next Sunday. The license cost Sanchez just \$3.

## Opposition to Refusal.

As was the case, much protest has been caused by the attempt of the Texas and California Oil and Refining Company to establish a plant in the Arroyo Seco, between Avenues B and 20. Citizens have prepared a protest, which will be presented to the Fire Commission, and the members of the board, Chief Stromberg recommended that the permit be granted, and a majority of the commission seemed to be in favor of fostering the industry.

AT THE COURTHOUSE.  
TAXATION BODGERS WILL BE PURSUED.

## NOTES SECURED BY FOREIGN REALTY TO BE ASSESSED.

District Attorney's Instructions to County Assessor—Money Paid for Water Bonds, Though Remaining in New York, Thought to Be Taxable.

Taxes and how to escape them are subjects of absorbing interest to many people just now, in view of the fact that the Assessor will assess real property, and will then become law. None of the members of the Water Commission quite know, however, because the office cannot be taken after the publication of the ordinance.

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## NEWS AND BUSINESS.

## Red Men's Reception.

Cocopah Tribe, Red Men, will entertain their grand officers tonight with a reception at the Hall, No. 534 South Spring street.

## Skippers Warned.

A special warning to shippers was received by Observer Franklin from San Francisco yesterday morning, reading: "Advised north-bound vessels that there is a storm prevalent off the Oregon coast."

## Vegetable Seeds.

The Chamber of Commerce is anxious that those who are interested in vegetable culture shall call and secure varieties of the valuable seeds just received from Washington.

## Shipper Sentenced.

Lewis Schwartz, a tailor of the People's and pie men's garment and tailoring, was sentenced by Justice Moore yesterday to serve six months on each of four charges of petty larceny.

## Y.M.C.A. Debut.

The Y.M.C.A. Debating Society last night discussed the following question: "Resolved, that the provisions of the Constitution of the United States be extended to all territory under its jurisdiction." Affirmative, Messrs. Hayes and Cunningham, negative. Hayes, a member of the club, was the author of the motion. The decision was won by the negative. An exciting parliamentary drill followed.

## California's Great Seal.

Corona Parlor, Native Sons, was addressed Wednesday evening by Dr. D. W. Edelman, his subject being "A History of the Great Seal of California." Dr. Edelman gave a synopsis of the first convention held in this State, at which the subject of a great seal was mentioned, and of the later meetings at which the seal was adopted. At the next meeting, the 12th instant, Mayor Loomis, Esq., will give a history of the bear-skin insurrection in California.

## Sports and Hump.

When Robert Hanna, Jr., a guest at the Van Nuys Hotel, tried to mount an entrance to the Los Angeles office yesterday afternoon for a joint automobile, the horse humped his back into an old-fashioned western buck, and Hanna landed on his spine on the hard, cruel pavement. A large crowd gathered, and was considerable interested for a time, but the fallen tourist gamely mounted the bronco again, wisely discarding the fence spurs which had caused the trouble.

## State for Month.

David Addison, colored, was arrested yesterday on a charge of arson. He is a thief, and may be prosecuted on several such charges, for the detectives have evidence that he has been stealing from the Los Angeles Dohrmann Company, crockery dealers, and from time to time small sums of money and pieces of crockery have been missing from the store. It is believed that Addison, and later the money was found in Addison's pocket. In his room were found other stolen articles.

## A Handsome Picture.

One of the most pretentious and interesting of the numerous advertising announcements appearing in the beginning of each year is a bird's-eye view of Los Angeles, nearly five feet square, which is sent out with the compliments of the manufacturers of Mission Mail. The view is taken from a point in Elysian Park, and should be an eye-opener to any of those eastern people, who still imagine that Los Angeles is something of a one-horse town. The view is a fine product, having been designed and painted by a Los Angeles firm of lithographers.

## Curious Crews and Curios.

It is a far cry from a small tent with a mere handful of curios to a commodious store on one of the main business streets of Los Angeles, with a stock of all manner of valuable relics, but this evolution of progress in fifteen years, was marked yesterday when Campbell's curio stock was moved over to its new quarters, No. 232 South Spring street. All day there was a steady attendance of seekers for specimens of the handiwork of the natives and antiques of the Southwest. The new quarters are well arranged for the display of the big stock of interesting curios.

## Masons Hold a Fair.

A Masonic fair for the benefit of the Masons will be held by that order in Southern California will be held in Los Angeles. Col. Noble F. Martin of Utica, N. Y., who is a prominent Mason, and had much success in the organization of the fair, once and again, and took charge of the project. M. N. Flint received a telegram from him accepting the terms of a contract for the fair. A committee, which has already been raised by the Masonic Home Association, and the proceeds of the fair will be added. The ladies of the Eastern Star will give their valuable services. The proceeds of a hall and other plans will be determined until the arrival of Col. Martin.

## Caught at Stealing.

Jack Fisher was arrested yesterday on a charge of petty larceny, and likely will be charged with robbery. He was taken to the T. G. Bowen's paring an engine at G. W. Sander's wood yard, No. 1764 East Main street. Yesterday A. M. Peterson, a carpenter, was working on a house, and when he approached Fisher seized an ax and threatened to brain him. Fisher escaped to the home of his employer, Bowen's house, No. 416 Wall street, was burglarized of two watches, three rings and an overcoat; the next day he was found to have a .380 cloak and other clothing stolen. The losers of these articles accuse Fisher, and he will be held until the case can be investigated.

## Folks' Husband to Graze.

Mrs. Nancy M. Luther was buried yesterday afternoon at the graveside of her husband; who died just thirty-eight days before. She had been failing from the moment of her widowhood. The funeral service was attended by over a hundred friends, and there was a wagon-load of floral tributes. Capt. Luther commanded the piano group during the service. Capt. Lilloue, a son of Capt. Luther, and was long active in Hawaiian politics. The family came to Los Angeles a year ago and occupied a thatched cottage at 418 Alameda. Capt. Luther, Mrs. Isabelle Hopkins, and a son, Clarence, live here. Another son, George, is in the East.

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## NOTES AFIELD.

Annual Convention. The Secretary of the American Citrus Growers' Association, to meet at Denver on Tuesday, March 4 next. The special subject for consideration is "The Land Leasing Bill." Other subjects will be presented, but the convention will devote several sessions to the great question of public irrigation. The members of California, Arizona, and New Mexico should make a note of this meeting, as it will deal with a "burning" issue wherever the irrigator and the grasser come in contact.

## Sukkot Adornment.

The Claremont and Pomona Farmers' clubs are beginning a field campaign among kindred clubs in favor of securing their endorsement of the present movement for shade-tree improvement. One thing in favor of immediate and general action upon the shade-tree question: The time of planting is now. The members of the clubs are to be panted with the best varieties that can be procured, including the Nevins' tract and the Raymond Villa tract. Already the society in whose behalf the farmers' clubs are acting has presented the planting of thousands of eucalyptus robusta and other unusual varieties by writing to the planters. The Executive Committee of the Shade and Ornamental Tree Society, a full report of varieties was presented, but not adopted. It will be a valuable addition to tree literature here.

## From Far Afield.

E. R. Volk of Kilbourn, Wash., writes a letter of inquiry regarding the moth that infects the apple orchards of the north. There is a great deal of information about the coding moth published in Bulletin No. 32 of the Agricultural Department. The horticultural office of Los Angeles county has sent for a large number of this bulletin, and it will be distributed to all who have use for it. Washington State readers should write to their Congressman for any special information they may want. This often requires the personal application of a member to receive publications of special interest if required in quantities.

## Apple Men at Long Beach.

Preparations are under way for a big meeting of apple growers at Long Beach on the 15th of this month. These meetings are being held in different localities interested largely in apple culture, and are attended by almost every apple orchard with results. The Department of Agriculture has now taken into partnership for the purpose of supplying a large number of bulletins of use to this class of farmers. The result of these meetings will be the re-establishment of another profitable fruit industry. If the plans of the apple association are carried out, as a general war will be made upon all infection peculiar to this fruit.

## Fruit Fly Spotted.

Major T. W. Jones of San Gabriel has practically ruined his citrus fruit crop by spraying. He has about 5000 boxes of oranges so badly injured that it is with difficulty he can get a bit on the fruit for shipment. "One thousand dollars would not make good the losses we have sustained, and the losses would be much higher if we were to continue," said Mr. Jones last Monday. "Over 50 per cent of the crop is discolored, and much of it entirely ruined. My neighbors seem to be as severely touched, for they sprayed about the same time, and with the same quality of disinfectant. I will not try this method again."

The question of the best method of disinfecting orchards is one of peculiar interest at this time, and is being discussed with more intensity, and with more heat, than ever before. It is not a fight between the spray and the fumigator, as some might think. It is a contest between methods of eradicating insect pests, and is leading to a correct judgment on the part of the orchardists who have to bear the expense of keeping their trees in a healthy condition. The preponderance of evidence is at present decided in favor of fumigation in the orange orchard. If the facts lead to this conclusion can be controverted, it should be done in the name of progress in orchard work. No personalities between horticultural officials or unsupported claims of the advocates of either method will enter any figure in the former settlement of these questions before the fruit growers. The most serious problem in field work is the disinfection of orchards, and every item of damage, every failure to render efficient service in any way, by either the fumigator or the spray, is to be published for the information of those who have so much at stake—the fruit growers. The field workman or the horticultural commission that fears to have all the facts and failures of their work set forth to the public, is unworthy the confidence of the people. Only the truth can improve conditions.

## Striking Orange Packers.

A packing-house near Covina had to suspend business temporarily for a few days on account of a disagreement between the manager and the packers involving one-quarter of a cent a box in the price paid for fruit packing. The house had employed men to do the work, and when the strike occurred the directors suggested that the men do the work and let the men out permanently. I have always held that oranges should be packed by the day, instead of by the box. On this opinion the majority of packing-houses dissent, and the managers certainly know their business. But I predict that the time is coming when certain packing houses will be the general standard of packing. On Monday of this week there was one (1) car of navels sold at auction, which should never have been allowed to leave the state of California, and the notice in today's sale is that the execution of such a policy four steps are necessary—checking the recklessness and wholesale destruction of timber, replanting from time to time, protection of young trees, and the harvesting of fully ripe ones. Immediately, of course, dead or half dead trees and

loyal support, and what few vines are imported from the north are invariably held and treated with carbon bisulphide, as the ordinance directs.

## They Fear Competition.

The New York State Fruit Growers' Association have written themselves down on record as claims in the resolution of redaction concerning public lands irrigation. The New Yorkers have not heard that the settlers who get this irrigated land will have to pay for it, and the irrigation improvements. The following are the resolutions:

"Whereas, the one great burden on the public lands of the State consists in the perpetuation of the subversive policy of the government in giving away its arable lands to any persons, and thereby causing them, thereby, constantly maintaining and increasing most unfair competition with farmers and orchardists already in existence; and, therefore, the West thousands of men who would have to work the much needed force of labor farmers and orchardists who would be given the fruit between the bins and the saller, and his ability to impress upon his packers the practice of doing good work under all circumstances. A strike in a packing-house would be the immediate effort on the part of the packers in having to hustle hard to make his day each day. Good, steady day work would no doubt improve the pack far beyond the expense that might accrue as compared with piece work.

## Rural Telephones.

Glenwood is agitating the establishment of a mutual telephone service, and has progressed to the point of deciding to wire the community and put "Phone" as soon as possible. President MacMullan, in his annual message to Congress, said in regard to rural delivery of mail: "It stimulates the isolation of farm life and quickens the dissemination of general information." The rural telephone may be classed with rural mail delivery in the advancement of country life, and as a means of intelligence, disseminating every kind of news for speed and convenience. The people of Glenwood may not be able to reach the main arteries of telephone communication through their local wires, it is worth all a community convenience it is worth all it will cost.

The utility of rural telephones has been in hundreds of counties in the Eastern States. During a recent visit in Illinois the writer was able to converse with dozens of old friends from any house in the district. The people in that portion of the country had for years maintained an association for the capture of horse thieves. The most stable had been raided couriers were sent to bring the men to justice to assist in capturing the thief. Since the introduction of farm-house telephones the association has become unnecessary and the minute riders have lost their calling. Horse stealing has become wellnigh impossible, and a criminal in any line would be easily identified. The same is far behind the most isolated portion of the Middle West in the establishment of rural telephones, and the matter should be taken up by the farmers' clubs generally. Through its local club Glenwood made it possible to adopt the plan of organization through a mutual company.

Concerning certain statutes conferring power upon city councils of municipalities within this State to order the removal of trees and stumps and street and sidewalk, and the special law providing for it is not generally understood. I interviewed H. A. Palmer at Claremont Wednesday, regarding this special enactment. Mr. Palmer was one of the committee which formulated the law and helped it safely through the Legislature. Mr. Palmer said:

"Concerning certain statutes conferring power upon city councils of municipalities within this State to order the removal of trees and stumps and street and sidewalk, and the special law providing for it is not generally understood.

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(NEWS REPORTS FROM TIMES CORRESPONDENTS.)

## SPADA GUILTY OF RETAILING BOOZE.

## MADENA LIQUOR DEALER FINDS HIMSELF UP AGAINST IT.

## Accused on One Charge and Two More Confronting Him—Anti-Saloon League's Plot Exposed—Druggists are Marching in Their Boots.

## ADENA. Feb. 6.—Before Justice in Los Angeles, Louis Spada, manager for the retail grocers of North Adena, was indicted on January 27, for the offense of retailing liquor. The trial was adjourned until January 27. The jury was out a short time, and took two ballots. The attorney for the defendant, immediately filed notice that he would demand a new trial upon arrival of the jury. He was given February 13 to prepare his writ. The trial is proposed to be held on the 14th. The defense will be appealed to the higher courts.

Spada was no sooner declared guilty than he was confronted with two other charges. The first was that he was connected with the constable, W. W. Davis, in the first of the winter. The San Pedro grocers, with Arthur Farwell as president and Frank Kerr, acting secretary, were organizing, and every member was appointed a committee of one to meet the grocers next Thursday. It is proposed to effect an organization with all the retail grocers.

"Young Griff" Inane.

AGADENA, Feb. 6.—Young Griff, a constable, was adjudged insane and ordered sent to an asylum. The eight months' mental condition was his secret, but his freedom when it was discovered was necessary to amputate the toe to have done much to his mind.

One was the Normal. JONES, Feb. 6.—An inter-collegiate football game was played between Clara College and the State Normal teams on the grounds of the Normal this afternoon. Score, 3 to 0.

Dr. G. CARPENTER'S letter to the Times, the coming Sunday, will be carried in full.

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